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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	34059-pa
First Inventor	Masahiro Nakada
Title	Method and Apparatus for Severing Root of Bean.
Express Mail Label No.	EV432769524US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Specification [Total Pages 18]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 5]
- ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 1]
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
- ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
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- ☒ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
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18. If **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

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		1001	770	Utility filing fee	385.00
		1002	340	Design filing fee	
		1003	530	Plant filing fee	
		1004	770	Reissue filing fee	
		1005	160	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$ 385.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
8	-20** = 0	0.00	0.00
4	-3** = 1	43.0	43.0
Multiple Dependent		0	0.00

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
		1202	18	2202 9 Claims in excess of 20
		1201	86	2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3
		1203	290	2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
		1204	86	2204 43 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent
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		1052	50	2052 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
		1053	130	1053 130 Non-English specification	
		1812	2,520	1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
		1804	920*	1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
		1805	1,840*	1805 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
		1251	110	2251 55 Extension for reply within first month	
		1252	420	2252 210 Extension for reply within second month	
		1253	950	2253 475 Extension for reply within third month	
		1254	1,480	2254 740 Extension for reply within fourth month	
		1255	2,010	2255 1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month	
		1401	330	2401 165 Notice of Appeal	
		1402	330	2402 165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
		1403	290	2403 145 Request for oral hearing	
		1451	1,510	1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
		1452	110	2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
		1453	1,330	2453 665 Petition to revive - unintentional	
		1501	1,330	2501 665 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
		1502	480	2502 240 Design issue fee	
		1503	640	2503 320 Plant issue fee	
		1460	130	1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
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		8021	40	8021 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
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First Named Inventor		Masahiro Nakada
Title	Method and Apparatus for Severing Root of Bean Sprout	
Atty Docket Number		34059-pa

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not** be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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Applicant: Masahiro Nakada
For: Method and Apparatus for Severing Root of Bean Sprout
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